

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



APPLICANTS: Bryan et al.

SERIAL NO.: Continuation-in-part of 09/783,860 and of 09/783,910 GROUP ART UNIT:

FILED: August 7, 2001 EXAMINER:

FOR: IMPROVED METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STEREOTACTIC IMPLANTATION

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 46739/250563

Assistant Commissioner for
Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

DATE: August 7, 2001

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)

Sir:

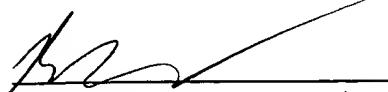
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c) and MPEP § 708.02(IV), Applicants respectfully request that this application be made special based on the age of Applicant Alex Kunzler. As indicated in the attached Statement, Applicant Kunzler is 65 years of age or older.

Applicants request that the PTO advance this application out of turn for examination and continue to treat this application as special throughout the entire prosecution thereof in the PTO.

Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment in fees to Deposit

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce D. Gray', is written over a horizontal line.

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